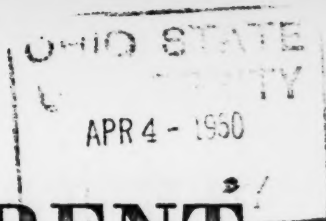


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THE INDIANA STATE LIBRARY

The Indiana State Library was created in 1825. Since 1925 control of the library has been vested in the Indiana Library and Historical Board. In 1933 the library moved into its present quarters, the State Library and Historical Building, 140 North Senate Avenue, Indianapolis 4.

Originally created for the use of state officials, the library since 1903 has served the entire state through loans to other libraries and direct loans to individuals in areas without local library service. In 1925 the State Library absorbed the Public Library Commission and has since served as the library extension agency of the state.

It is a depository for federal documents and for books in braille and talking book records. Its special collections include materials for genealogical research, the state archives, Indiana newspapers, and all types of material relating to Indiana.

Two other libraries are also housed in the same building: the Indiana Academy of Science Library and the William Henry Smith Memorial Library of the Indiana Historical Society.

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GOVERNOR SCHRICKER HONORS STATE LIBRARY

Stenographic report of the address of Governor Henry F. Schricker at the 125th Anniversary Celebration of the Indiana State Library, February 15, 1950.

I am more than pleased with the response the library has had to its invitation to participate in this anniversary program. I am confident that hundreds of people would like to be here, perhaps thousands throughout Indiana, who down through the years have a deep appreciation of libraries,—the state library, the county library, the city library, no matter what its size might be.

Information and Inspiration in Library

The library has always been a source of information, not only information but inspiration, to people in Indiana everywhere. And so I am proud to be here with you this afternoon to give recognition to those who deserve it so richly upon the 125th anniversary of the founding of the State Library in Indiana.

Perhaps some of you have noted from time to time the inscription on the wall downstairs in the lobby, where it was said on the occasion of the dedication of this beautiful edifice, that we did it "in memory of the pioneers of Indiana who in laying the foundations of a state amid primitive surroundings had the wisdom and the foresight to provide for the self-instruction of its citizens by establishing a state library."

Now we know that the founders of our republic, yea the very founders of civilization in this hemisphere, were men and women who laid great emphasis on education and information. Many of them were devotees of the Bible. Their schooling, like

that of the great Lincoln whose birthday we celebrated only a few days ago, had its first lessons from this precious Book. No doubt they read the sentence that the preacher wrote centuries ago "Of making many books there is no end." So we have a right to believe that our forebears, those who came to conquer the wilderness and seek out a new land, brought with them the old Book and perhaps many others from which their source of information and knowledge was obtained.

We also read in the old Book, from Solomon, this statement: "Buy the truth and sell it not; also wisdom and instruction and understanding." He was the wisest of men; his wisdom no doubt came from many sources of information, from the books that were written in an earlier day.

And centuries later we find a young lawyer interrogating the master. He said, "What shall I do to inherit eternal life?" The response was "What is written in the law." The law was a written document, a living thing, an imperishable source of direction.

Books Inspire Lincoln

Abraham Lincoln once said, "I will study and get ready and maybe my chance will come." His chance did come. We revere his memory today because of the sound information that was woven into the fabric of his life and his character, which he obtained from books, books that had been

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written in the past by men and women who had a deep appreciation of the values of life.

We know today that ignorance is a fountainhead of poverty, of intolerance, of slavery and despair. But our forefathers knew that, when they came out here in the great Northwest Territory and began to establish a civilization here.

It is interesting to note today that, only 25 years after the founding of organized government in the Indiana Territory, this library was conceived and planted. Only 25 years elapsed from 1800 to 1825 when we took cognizance of the need for some source of reliable information that might be made available to the law makers, to those who had governmental responsibility, and to others. And so we would like to incorporate this celebration and this observance into the 150th anniversary, which we also observe this year, of the creation of the Indiana Territory.

Constitution Recognizes Learning

I think it is interesting to note that the framers of our present (state) constitution a hundred years ago emphasized the need for knowledge and learning. In Article 8, which was dedicated to education, we find this language: "Knowledge and Learning, generally diffused throughout a community, being essential to the preservation of a free government, it shall be the duty of the General Assembly to encourage, by all suitable means, moral, intellectual, scientific and agricultural improvements." Then, of course, it concluded by saying "to provide by law for a general and uniform system of common schools wherein tuition shall be without charge and equally open to all."

That was a great step forward. It was the first constitution of any state to incorporate language of that character, to lay the burden of education on the government of our state, to recognize the importance of government in the preservation of freedom and liberty among men.

And so this liberty today is simply a superstructure upon the foundation that was laid back there at the beginning. And in our little observance here today we think more of those early pioneers than perhaps any of us who have followed in their footsteps since that beginning.

Information Fundamental

I think we will all agree that a man's decision is never better than his information. Information is fundamental. We can speak only authoritatively with information. Without information we would not only distort the truth, perhaps, but we may go far afield from the essentials of life. Information is necessary in the kitchen or on the farm, in the halls of Congress or in the courts of our land. Wherever we turn, information, reliable information, is of supreme importance.

So here in this great edifice we have information, information of the ages past, information of our own day, a living thing. We may walk in here in the quietude of the hour and feel that there is almost the stillness of death in the chambers of this building. And yet, my friends, there is nothing more alive than the great truths that are here assembled for our information and our use.

Thomas Jefferson declared that the purpose of a library was to diffuse knowledge

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more generally to the mass of the people. Perhaps no man in his age contributed more to the establishment of a library, and we like to remember that his own private library, which he was forced to sell in order to meet his own financial obligations, became the very beginning of the great Congressional library in the capital of the nation.

Men and Women of Vision

Yes, we owe much today to the founders of our republic and to those of our own great state. We remember these words: "Where there is no vision the people perish." We have lived successfully and grown tremendously because we have had men and women of vision. And so long as we give vision a free course, keep it free, we will continue to prosper and to advance as a great civilized people.

There is nothing perhaps that keeps alive the pride of the state so much as the preservation, recording, and dissemination of its own history. Here within these walls we have the history of Indiana, where all may come and read and be inspired. Nothing that happens in Indiana is to be disregarded. Here we make a careful collection of all available materials, all newspapers, periodicals, all the many books that have been written by Indiana authors. This is a part of the library of the great Hoosier state.

It is interesting to note on the inside page of your program the recommendation of the first Constitutional Convention back in 1816, and then later the enactment of the 9th General Assembly, establishing a state library in 1825. And still later in 1841, 20 years before the beginning of the Civil War, a

law was approved which made the librarian the keeper of the state library, the state house and also the state house square. He had many and complicated duties. I think it is interesting to remember that the librarian in those days had the responsibility "to keep the fence and gates around the state house square in good order so as to prevent the entry of any kind of stock, . . . and he is hereby permitted to mow (the) grass plat and apply the grass to his own use." Now, perhaps, we should give our present librarian a comparable responsibility. We will try to think up something for him in the future.

Milestones in Library's History

There are many milestones in the life of the State Library. Beginning back in 1816, it is well to remember that the little library was brought to the new capital here in Indianapolis in a wagon. I don't know what its size was. I assume it was a very small collection but it was very important indeed. Later it found a home in the old Marion County Court House from '25 to '29; from '29 to '37 in the Governor's Mansion on the Circle; from '37 to '77 in the old State House that stood on the south half of the location of the present building. For ten years, from '77 to '87, it found its home in the McCray Block on the southeast corner of Tennessee (now Capitol Avenue) and Market Street, while the new building was being erected. From '87 to 1933 it was housed in the State Capitol Building, and from '33, of course as we all know, to this happy date, this has been its home.

I wish I had time to commend all of those who have brought so much devotion and service to this institution. I am proud

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that I had something to do back in 1942 with bringing Mr. Brigham to our state library. He has rendered marvelous service, together with his fine board and of course those members on his staff here, many of whom have been with us for a great number of years. We owe them all a debt of gratitude.

I am proud to know that we have at last installed the librarian in the quarters that were originally designed for him when the building was built. It was not without a good deal of effort and perhaps some little cost that this was accomplished, but within the past few months we have been able to remove another important division of state government, which has been housed here for so long, to other quarters. This gives Mr. Brigham and his staff greater opportunity to serve us here, in the service for which the building was erected.

I would like to say in closing that to me this is the torch of liberty, torch of freedom,—the written word. There is no restraint upon it, thank God, under our Constitution. Those who are inspired to write are never encumbered. And here we preserve their work for unborn generations, those who are to follow us, those who, we hope, will

be inspired in their work for liberty and equality by the things that we have been able to do.

Program for the State

I would like to think that every little community in Indiana has its own little library, a little institution that can cooperate with, and be serviced by, the mother institution here in Indianapolis. And this is a part of the important work that is going on. We have great aims for the future. A great program has been mapped out. We hope the next few years will supply broader opportunities for carrying the work of this institution out to the cities and towns of Indiana where all might be reached and inspired and instructed. And I can assure you that this is definitely a part of the planned program for the days that lie ahead.

I want to thank you all for coming. I hope we have said a little something here that might be remembered, but I know your richest treasure will be in the knowledge that the State of Indiana has not lost sight of those great principles of our founders who first laid the foundation for our State Library.

LIBRARY WEEK

Indiana's first Library Week—April 23 to 30. Suggestions for its observance are available from Extension Division, State Library, Indianapolis 4.

LIBRARY OBSERVES ANNIVERSARY

The Indiana State Library celebrated its 125th anniversary Wednesday, February 15, with an open house and reception featuring an address by Governor Henry F. Schricker. Between 700 and 800 friends of the library visited the building during the afternoon, with 500 attending the program at three o'clock.

The original constitution of the state, Indiana land office records, territorial journals, letters, manuscripts, and a few books from the library's first collection were among the treasures of 125 years displayed in exhibit cases throughout the building. Exhibits were also shown in the departments indicating the services and collections of each.

Baskets of flowers from professional organizations, library patrons and friends added much to the festive appearance of the building and were deeply appreciated by the staff. The library is also grateful for the many congratulatory messages received during the day.

Staff members served punch and cakes following the program, which is printed in full below. Governor Schricker's address appears elsewhere in this issue.

PROGRAM

John P. Goodwin, Presiding

Invocation, Rev. George Arthur Frantz,
Pastor, First Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis

Welcome, Harold F. Brigham,
Director of the Library

Early Indiana Ballads, Shortridge Folk Singers,
Roy Abersson, Director

"Pretty Mohea," "Calomel," "Babes in the Wood"

Address, Honorable Henry F. Schricker,
Governor of Indiana

RECEPTION

Four o'clock until six

Music by the Indianapolis Simfonieta,
Renato Pacini, Conductor

Hostesses: Mrs. Henry F. Schricker, Mrs. George K. Bridwell, Mrs. John P. Goodwin, Mrs. Harold F. Brigham, Mrs. Harriet Bard, Mrs. Fred A. Borns, Mrs. Howard H. Peckham, and the Staff of the Indiana State Library.

Librarians of the Indiana State Library:

William W. Wick (Secretary of State), 1825 to 1829; James Morrison (Secretary of State), 1829 to 1833; William Sheets (Secretary of State), 1833 to 1837; William J. Brown (Secretary of State), 1837 to 1841; John Cook, 1841 to 1844; Samuel P. Daniels, 1844 to 1845; John B. Dillon, 1845 to 1851; Nathaniel Bolton, 1851 to 1854; Gordon Tanner, 1854 to 1856; S. D. Lyons, 1856 to 1859; James R. Bryant, 1859 to 1861; Robert D. Brown, 1861 to 1863; David Stephenson, 1863 to 1865; B. F. Foster, 1865 to 1869; M. G. McLain, 1869 to 1871; James De Sanno, 1871 to 1873; Sarah A. Oren, 1873 to 1875; Lycurgus Dalton, 1875 to 1877; Richard Conner, 1877 to 1879; Maggie F. Peelle, 1879 to 1881; Emma A. Winsor, 1881 to 1883; Lizzie O. Callis-Scott, 1883 to 1889; Jacob Piatt Dunn, 1889 to 1893; Mary Eileen Ahern, 1893 to 1895; Emma L. Davidson, 1895 to 1897; William E. Henry, 1897 to 1906; Demarchus C. Brown, 1906 to 1926; Louis J. Bailey, 1926 to 1935; Christopher B. Coleman, 1936 to 1942; Harold F. Brigham, 1942 to date.

PORTLAND REMODELS LIBRARY

By SYLVIA TAYLOR, Librarian, Portland Public Library

Visitors to the Portland Public Library today are pleasantly surprised at the transformation which the remodeling and re-decorating program has brought about in the library.

In 1947 the building had deteriorated to the extent that extensive repairs were necessary to make it safe and servicable for patrons. The roof leaked in several places, plastering had been damaged and had broken away on many wall spaces, the walls were dark and dingy and the original floor covering of cork was worn threadbare in many places, and especially in the entrance and in front of the loan desk. Small strips of linoleum were spread about to cover some of the bare spots.

Funds Raised by Bond Issue

For many years funds had been stretched to cover library services and meager book budgets, and little had been available for repairs. Early in 1948 the Library Board of Trustees floated a bond issue to raise funds to repair, remodel, and redecorate the building. Since the Portland Library Board had voted to become a library district library and extend library service to the entire county, some remodeling became necessary to house the new book collections for this service.

The repairs were inaugurated in the spring of 1948. The contractor strengthened and reinforced the attic and upper structures of the entire building and put on a new built-up roof. Then repairs could more safely be started in the interior.

As was customary in most library buildings planned years ago, the ceilings in the Portland library building were quite high in all the rooms except the adult book stacks. These stacks were approximately fifteen feet high. The new ceilings were dropped in the reading and the reference rooms, the children's room and the librarian's office to the same level with the book stacks. Acousti-celotex type ceilings, twelve by twelve by three-fourths inch beveled edge tile, rolled ivory finish, were installed in all the rooms on the first floor, except the foyer, which was left as originally planned.

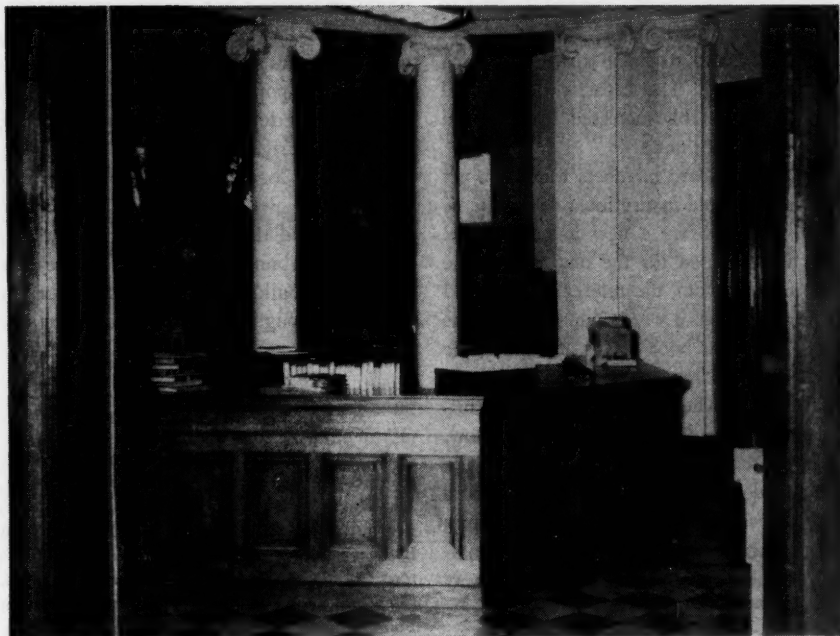
Dropped Ceilings

These ceilings were applied by concealed nailing to wood furring strips spaced twelve inches on center which was crossed-furred on wood runner strips suspended from the old ceiling height by means of wire hangers. These hangers were fastened to screw eyes which were screwed into the wood joist construction above the old plaster ceiling.

New Fluorescent Lighting

The old light fixtures were removed and new fluorescent lighting was installed in all the rooms on the first floor and in one room of the basement. Six fixtures each carrying four 40 watt lamps were installed in the reading room and in the children's room. Eight fixtures each carrying four 40 watt lamps were placed in the adult stacks, and two similar fixtures in the librarian's office and in the reference room. One fixture was

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suspended over the loan desk and one in the front entrance hall.

This lighting arrangement now gives a properly measured amount of light at all points and without glare or shadows. Many comments of appreciation for this great improvement in the lighting have come from the patrons as they move about selecting books with perfect ease. The choice comment came by grape vine. A patron reported that one of the library borrowers, in discussing the new lights, had remarked that one can actually see to read in the library now.

The library trustees hoped that the new fluorescent lights would pay off in reduced light bills. While they have been installed only a short time, the comparison of costs

in the last few months of 1948 with the same period for 1949 indicates that there will be quite a saving. A study of the figures over a longer period of time will be necessary to estimate how much the saving will be.

New rubber flooring of nine by nine inch tile and one eighth thickness, of two colors, with tile laid checker board, was laid on all the rooms of the main floor, on the entrance hall and steps to the landing and on the steps to the basement.

The old gas fire places were removed from the reading room and children's room to free space for additional shelving. The walls in all the rooms on the first floor, the entrance and two rooms in the basement were recon-

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ditioned and replastered. The old stairway to the basement was removed from the adult book stack room to make space for much needed shelving. The capacity of the coal bin was considerably increased after this old stairway was torn out.

The library board members wanted to get away from the old institutional color scheme and give the library a new look, so pastel colors were chosen for the new walls. The main reading room, the reference room and the librarian's office were done in dusty rose color. The adult book stacks and the lower half of the children's room were painted in cascade blue. The upper half of the children's room was done in a rich light yellow. The foyer was painted in a rich ivory shade with the dome in sky blue. The radiators have all been repainted in the corresponding shades of the various rooms.

Basement Rooms Painted

The two basement rooms were painted in the same yellow shade as the children's room with the floors a deep red. One of the basement rooms houses the book collection for the bookmobile which was inaugurated in November, 1948. The other room is for the storage of magazines and newspapers.

The library was closed for a time during the reconditioning and replastering of the walls. The books had to be taken from the shelves and stacked so that library service would have been poor, even if possible. When the building was reopened and library patrons saw the transformation they were generous in praise and appreciation.

Readers who come into the library now find beauty created by color and simplicity. As they enter the foyer they see a series of

rooms in compact but spacious arrangement offering various services: a reading room with magazines and newspapers, with a reading nook of popular books and a reference room on the left; the children's attractive room on the right, and the book stacks just back of the loan desk. The walls of soft pastel shades give a pleasing background for the books and the new lighting system not only sheds abundant light on the readers inside the building, but sends its bright glow out through the windows to invite new readers.

REDECORATED LIBRARIES

Akron, Andrews, Angola, Argos, Batesville, Bedford, Berne, Bluffton, Booneville, Borden, Boswell, Bourbon, Bristol, Brookston, Brookville, Brownsburg, Butler, Cambridge City (also Milton Branch), Carmel, Centerville, Charlestown, Clayton, Clinton, Colfax, Columbia City, Columbus, Converse, Covington, Crawfordsville, Crown Point, Culver, Decatur, Dublin, East Chicago, Edinburg, Elkhart, Elwood, Evansville, Farmersburg, Fort Branch, Fort Wayne, Fortville, Francesville, Gas City, Geneva, Greencastle, Greenfield, Greentown, Hagerstown, Hamlet, Hartford City, Hebron, Jasonville, Kendallville, Kentland, Kewanna, Kirklin, Knightstown, Kokomo, Lawrenceburg, Lebanon.

Linton, Madison, Martinsville, Milford, Mishawaka, Mitchell, Monon, Monterey, Montpelier, Mount Vernon, Nappanee, New Albany, North Judson, North Manchester, North Vernon, Oakland City, Odon, Orland, Osgood, Otterbein, Oxford, Paoli, Pendleton, Plymouth, Portland, Raub, Rensselaer, Richmond, Ridgeville, Roachdale, Roann, Rockport, Scottsburg, Sheridan, South Bend, South Whitley, Spencer, Sullivan, Swayzee, Syracuse, Thorntown, Valparaiso, Vevay, Wakarusa, Walkerton, Walton, Waterloo, West Lafayette, Whiting, Winamac, Wolcott, Wolcottville (branch of LaGrange County Library), Worthington, State Library.

ALA MIDWINTER MEETING

Indiana librarians appearing on programs at the A. L. A. Midwinter Conference in Chicago January 26-29 were Mary J. Cain, Indianapolis Public Library, John H. Moriarty, Purdue University and Esther V. Burrin, director, School Library Service and Teaching Materials.

Mary Cain C. L. A. Speaker

Miss Cain was a speaker at the joint luncheon of the Children's Library Association and the Association of Young People's Librarians on Thursday, January 26. Summarizing a questionnaire submitted to a selected group of young people's librarians, she stressed the need for increased use of adult books with teen-agers, as indicated in the replies to the questionnaire.

Harriet G. Long, professor of children's literature at Western Reserve University School of Library Science, speaking on the same program, urged librarians to interest young people in reading about today's national and international issues, to designate selected books for youth, and to discuss outstanding books for young people.

Moriarty on Serials Program

Mr. Moriarty shared the program of the Serials Round Table Friday morning, January 27 with Verner Clapp, chief assistant librarian, Library of Congress, and L. E. Hertzberg, of the Monastery Hill Bindery. Mr. Moriarty called attention to a lack of published information about the technicalities of serials work and proposed that a news sheet, or bulletin, be issued by the

Round Table with all members cooperating in its publication. Purdue University, he said, is willing to prepare the initial number of such a bulletin if publication is agreed upon.

Miss Burrin reported on the recently organized Hoosier Student Librarians Association at a meeting of state school library supervisors. This Association was formed with over 100 members at a two day conference held in Bloomington early in December.

A. L. A. Loyalty Resolution

The A. L. A.'s stand on loyalty oaths and investigations and the report of the Ex-officio Committee on A. L. A. Reorganization claimed major attention at two Council sessions.

After discussion at an open meeting of the Intellectual Freedom Committee and the Board on Personnel Administration Thursday evening, the A. L. A. resolution on the use of loyalty investigations in libraries was presented to Council and on Saturday referral to those two groups for revision and rewording was voted.

Reorganization Plan Reconsidered

Recommendations regarding Part II of the Fourth Activities Committee reorganization plan presented by the Ex-officio Committee were accepted by Council. These included referral to a special committee of those items pertaining to the establishment of state chapters, the tabling of those concerning the formation of functional organi-

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zations by type of work and federated associations by type of library, referral to the Executive Board of those relating to services performed by A. L. A. Headquarters, and the adoption of certain recommendations regarding the government of the A. L. A. and the relationship of Executive Board to Council and the responsibilities of each. The latter group must be prepared as amendments to the A. L. A. constitution and by-laws and submitted to the membership before becoming effective.

Marian McFadden, librarian, Indianapolis Public Library, as chairman of the Nominating Committee, presented her committee's report at the first Council meeting on Thursday, and it was accepted by Council. Names of the nominees for officers, Executive Board and Council for 1950 are printed in the December *A. L. A. Bulletin*. Other members of the nominating committee were Jack Dalton, Ruth Hale Gershevsky, M. Ruth McDonald, and Janet Zimmerman McKinley.

Washington Office Campaign

Raymond C. Lindquist, chairman, Federal Relations Committee, reported at the first Council meeting that \$7475 had been raised toward the \$11,000 goal in the campaign for funds to maintain the A. L. A. Washington office for the next two years. Of the total sought, \$5000 is being solicited from state associations, \$2000 from publishers, and \$4000 from A. L. A. divisions. Mr. Lindquist announced that 30 states had contributed, and during the three days of the conference several additional associations made pledges. Indiana was among the first 30 with a contribution of \$100 from I. L. A.

The Washington office was reopened early in January and Mrs. Marjorie Sornson Malmberg, formerly executive secretary of the Wisconsin Library Association, will be in charge. Mrs. Malmberg recently conducted a very successful legislative campaign for the Wisconsin Association. It was announced that the Library Demonstration Bill had been referred to the House Rules Committee for consideration at the time of this meeting.

Journeys to Libraries Abroad

"Journeys to Libraries Abroad" was the theme of the general session Saturday evening. Milton E. Lord, director, Boston Public Library, and Luther H. Evans, librarian of Congress, described the libraries they had visited in recent months, Mr. Evans for UNESCO and Mr. Lord as one of a group accompanying the World Town Meeting of the Air on its round-the-world tour of 12 capitals.

Scoggin Reports on Youth Library

Margaret Scoggin, of the New York Public Library, told of the opening of the International Youth Library in Munich last September which she attended in the capacity of consultant. This collection of children's paintings and books from all over the world is established in the hope that it may contribute toward a better understanding of the differences in ideas and beliefs among the countries of the world. All the speakers on the Saturday evening program voiced admiration of the remarkable services the U. S. State Department Information Libraries are performing abroad.

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Field Enterprises Citations for library recruiting during 1949 were awarded to the Louisiana Library Association, the Pennsylvania Library Association and the Brooklyn Public Library with honorable mention to the Jefferson County, Alabama, student assistants organization and the Kentucky Library Association. Louisiana, the winner of second place last year, was commended particularly for its continuing program of recruitment for librarianship.

Adult Education Symposium

A joint open meeting of the Public Libraries, Extension and Trustees Divisions Friday evening dealt with adult education in the form of a symposium on the topic, "If Not the People's University—Then What?"

Dr. Woodrow Strickler, head, Division of Adult Education, University of Louisville, outlined the cooperative program of the University and the Louisville Public Library with neighborhood "colleges" offering adult evening classes. Radio broadcasts are used to present lectures simultaneously in branch libraries and schools throughout the city during the day. Home study courses are also conducted by radio and listeners may enroll for these either for credit or non-credit. The Louisville Public Library now has its own television and FM station presenting educational programs.

Educational Programs Urged

Ralph A. Ulveling, director, Detroit Public Library, urged libraries to start their own educational programs for adults with greater emphasis upon books and films of educational and informational value than on those

of a recreational nature. Emerson Greenaway, director, Enoch Pratt Free Library, Baltimore, and Mrs. Carma Zimmerman, librarian, Washington State Library, the remaining symposium speakers, pointed out the important role of adult education in developing the non-reader and the casual reader into a purposeful reader. Mrs. Zimmerman stressed the extension of library service by means of regional units.

Extension Division

The Extension Division in a business meeting continued its discussion of book-mobile standards which had been presented in preliminary form at regional conferences by a committee of the Division. They are to be examined further at the Cleveland conference and then will be published in final form when completed.

The American Association of School Librarians voted to ask for A. L. A. division status and will seek the approval of Council on this action at Cleveland this summer. At present the A. A. S. L. is one of three groups comprising the Division of Libraries for Children and Young People, together with the Children's Library Association and the Association of Young People's Librarians.

CERTIFICATION BOARD

Audrey Benner, Elkhart Public Library trustee, has been appointed to the Indiana Library Certification Board succeeding Mrs. E. A. Carpenter. Other members of the Board are Harriet E. Bard, librarian, Morrison-Reeves Library, Richmond, and Harold F. Brigham, director, Indiana State Library.

OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES OF INDIANA LIBRARY ORGANIZATIONS 1949-1950

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lished in the December, 1949 *Library Oc-
current*. These together with the officers of
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up the Executive Council of I.S.L.A.

SUMMER TRAINING

Indiana University will not offer this
year the special summer course designed to
meet the minimum training requirement of
the Library Certification Board. The regu-
lar senior-undergraduate courses will be
offered, however, embracing the 18 semester
hour "core curriculum." Admission to these
courses requires at least two years of college.
Completion of this 18-hour program, with
degree, provides eligibility for the year of
graduate library training leading to the
Masters Degree. For further information

write to Margaret I. Rufsvold, Division of
Library Science, Indiana University, Bloom-
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CERTIFICATION EXAM

An examination for public librarians was
given at the State Library, February 2 and 3
under the direction of the Certification
Board and Hazel B. Warren, State Library
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The exam was open to librarians without
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GRACE NIXON RETIRES

The Indiana State Library announces the retirement January 1 of Grace Nixon as executive secretary of the library. Miss Nixon had served on the office staff since 1911. Her many friends throughout the state will be happy to know that her long association with Indiana libraries has not ceased entirely with her retirement, as she has accepted an appointment as secretary to Caroline Dunn, librarian, William Henry Smith Memorial Library, Indiana Historical Society. The State Library staff honored Miss Nixon with a tea in the library foyer on December 14.

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A LIBRARY SERVING THE NATION

By MARGARET DONNELL, Chief, Reference Division, Indiana State Library

To the average American the Library of Congress no doubt represents a scholarly, learned and dignified institution, guarding within its walls many treasures of the printed word from the cultures of other nations as well as our own.

Its position as the ranking library of the United States may make it appear to be completely detached and remote from the problems and demands which beset the ordinary public library. We should realize, however, that some of its services are available to even the smallest library and that others are of indirect benefit to all libraries.

Loan privileges of the Library of Congress are extended to all libraries throughout the country. Books to be used for serious study, with the exception of certain rare and valuable items, may be borrowed upon request to the Loan Division. Loans are not made directly to individuals. The Library through its reference departments will provide reference and research materials in cases where the information cannot be supplied by the local or state library.

State libraries and many metropolitan public libraries participate in many special projects of the Library of Congress. Thus a channel is provided for indirect service to smaller libraries.

The publication of extensive bibliographies on a wide variety of subjects has long been one of the Library's most useful activities. Available to libraries upon request, these bibliographies are of particular value to students and scholars. Unfortunately

the volume of reference work and the staff shortages made it necessary to reduce the number of bibliographies compiled during the past two years.

The opening to the public on July 26, 1947, of the personal papers of President Abraham Lincoln (covering the period May 1, 1833 to April 14, 1865) was an occasion of great interest throughout the country. These papers had been deposited in the Library in 1919 by Robert Todd Lincoln. In 1923 he stipulated that the papers should be carefully preserved from official or public inspection or private view until the expiration of twenty-one years from the date of his death. Robert Todd Lincoln died on July 26, 1926. The value of these papers to Lincoln scholars has already been made evident in the work of David C. Mearns, *The Lincoln Papers, the Story of the Collection with Selections to July 4, 1861*, (2 vols.) which appeared late in 1948. Mr. Mearns is director of the Reference Department of the Library of Congress.

The Library of Congress has long served as the central cataloging agency for the United States. Printed catalog cards are sold to many libraries, among them the Indiana State Library. L C card numbers are inserted in lists of books which appear in *Publishers' Weekly*, *Cumulative Book Index*, *A.L.A. Booklist*, and the *United States Government Publications Monthly Catalog*.

The price of the printed cards was revised effective July 1, 1948 to incorporate a portion of the initial cost of cataloging. This

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resulted in an advance of from three to four cents a card. Opposition to this change in policy has been voiced by the library profession during the past year. On June 8, 1949 the House Appropriations Committee issued a report recommending that the added charge be removed, and, according to a statement made by the A.L.A. Washington Office, the Library of Congress is authorized to return to its original price policy beginning in 1950.

Simplification and standardization of cataloging rules has been realized in the approval by the A.L.A. of the *Rules for Descriptive Cataloging* issued by the Library of Congress. This has become the accepted standard in American library practice.

A new organization, the United States Book Exchange, Inc., has been established by the cooperative effort of library and scholarly groups in this country. It has received most of the assets of the American Book Center and serves as a national center for exchanges.

The objectives of the Exchange as expressed in its charter are "the promotion of the distribution and interchange of books, periodicals and other scholarly materials among libraries and other educational and scientific institutions in the United States, and between them and libraries and institutions of other countries, and to that end the accumulation of a stock pile of books, periodicals and other materials suitable and useful in filling the various needs of libraries and institutions throughout the world."

The Library of Congress gives space to the Exchange for the sorting and distribution

of materials. The Indiana State Library is one of several Indiana libraries participating in this Exchange program.

Also housed in the Library of Congress is the Documents Expediting Project. In this project, under the direction of a joint committee of the A.L.A. and the Association of Research Libraries, an attempt is made by subscribing libraries to secure copies of those United States government publications which are not available through the usual channels. These are for the most part publications which are not printed but mimeographed or processed and which are not distributed by the Superintendent of Documents.

In 1948 the Division for the Blind of the Library of Congress purchased 8500 new talking book reproducers. These machines will be distributed to the blind through various state agencies. In the book program, 225 new titles in Braille were published. The Indiana State Library is one of 26 regional distributing centers for Braille books and periodicals and talking book records throughout the country. More than 650 blind persons in Indiana take advantage of the opportunity to borrow these books and records through the State Library.

This brief glance at some of the activities of the Library of Congress may give Indiana librarians a better appreciation of services our national library renders that benefit libraries everywhere. Advances are being made in new fields and the high quality and excellence of its service is maintained despite the same kind of handicaps in staff and funds that are so well known to all librarians.

INDIANA LIBRARY NEWS NOTES

Prepared by the Extension Division, State Library

Mrs. P. L. Ferry, for twenty-seven years associated with the **AKRON** Public Library, has resigned her position as head librarian. **Velma Bright**, former assistant, has been chosen as the new head. Mrs. Ferry is staying on as assistant.

To celebrate the 46th anniversary of the **ALEXANDRIA** Public Library, the library board and staff held an open house and reception on December 3, 1949. **Mrs. Ethel Peck** is librarian.

Mrs. Irene H. Lovdal, formerly head of the children's department of the **ANDERSON** Public Library, left in January to accept a similar position with the **Los Angeles** Public Library.

Library service for **BEECH GROVE** has become a certainty with the appointment and organization of a permanent library board. **Mrs. Lynn Hull** is president.

Parent's responsibility for introducing children to the library was the subject of a talk by **Bertha Ashby**, librarian of the **BLOOMINGTON-MONROE** County Public Library, before the **Materian Club** in January.

Mary J. Armstrong, reference assistant at the **FORT WAYNE-ALLEN** County Public Library, is the author of an article on the care and use of government documents which appeared in the December 1st issue of *Library Journal*.

Franklin G. Davidson of **Crawfordsville** is the new assistant in the Department of Technical Processes of the **FORT WAYNE** Public Library. A graduate of **Wabash Col-**

lege, **Mr. Davidson** received his library degree from the **University of Chicago** Library School.

Rezia Gaunt became acting librarian of the **GARY-LAKE COUNTY** Public Library following the departure of **Richard B. Sealock** who has been the new librarian of the **Kansas City** Public Library since January 1.

Guest speakers at the January meeting of the **Lew Wallace P.T.A.**, **Gary**, were **Mrs. Dorothy K. Smith**, readers adviser of the **GARY-LAKE COUNTY** Public Library, and **Kathryn Segee**, **Glen Park Branch** librarian. Mrs. Smith's subject was "The Art of Family Living", while Miss Segee spoke on children's activities at the branch library.

On December 31 **Mrs. Dorothy Mitchell**, librarian of the **East Side Branch** of the **GARY-LAKE COUNTY** Public Library, resigned her position after 36 years of service. During this time she had served in every department of the system.

The **LINTON** Public Library began the new year with a redecorating program. The re-painting of ceilings and walls using a green and peach color scheme was made possible from contributions of the **Tri Kappa Sorority**. **Margaret Cooper** is librarian.

Mrs. Helen Allison, librarian of the **BROWN COUNTY** Public Library, at **Nashville**, reports a phenomenal increase in the use of the library now that it has been moved from the old second-story location to its new home, a recently constructed concrete

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block building. High school students cooperated in transferring the 8000 volumes to the new building.

Esther Spitler, librarian of the PLYMOUTH Public Library, recently addressed the local Rotary Club on the subject of the work of the library.

Katherine Croxall, formerly in charge of the child study room in the SOUTH BEND Public Library, is now in charge of the River Park Branch, according to Ethel G. Baker, librarian. Mrs. Marjorie Jones has been appointed temporary director of the children's room to succeed Miss Croxall.

Assistants in the Genealogy and Indiana Divisions of the STATE LIBRARY are Mrs. Jean Roby Appel and Lila Brady. Mrs. Appel came to the State Library from the Egleston Library, Columbia University. She is a graduate of the University of Maryland. Miss Brady holds an A.B. degree from Indiana University and an M.A. from the University of Wisconsin. Elizabeth Wishard is now in charge of the Service to the Blind. Her previous experience has been in the teaching field. Miss Wishard is a graduate of Western College, Oxford, Ohio and expects to receive her master's degree from Butler University this June. Ina Thornburgh was recently appointed secretary in the Extension Division.

Mrs. Margaret M. Porterfield has assumed the duties of executive secretary and business manager of the State Library succeeding Grace Nixon, who has retired. Mrs. Porterfield was assistant in the administrative office.

Staff changes at the INDIANAPOLIS Public Library include the appointment of Harriet Golay and Ernestine Rose as substitute

senior librarians at the Riley Room, Central Library and the Rauh Memorial Branch, the assignment of Gene Berryhill to acting branch librarian at Rauh, and the resignation of Mrs. Margaret Teske as junior librarian in Schools Division.

LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM LAUNCHED BY I.L.A.

The I.L.A.-I.L.T.A. Legislative Committee met in the State Library February 2 to consider a legislative program for 1950-51.

A three-fold program was tentatively formulated focusing primarily upon expansion of the extension and lending services of the State Library. The Committee agreed that such expansion, with more adequate staff and books, appeared to offer the best means of strengthening and extending public library service in Indiana, in lieu of direct financial aid to local libraries. It was recognized that this proposal would require a substantial increase in the appropriation of the State Library and also improvement of its scale of professional salaries in order to obtain competent people and still be fair to present staff.

The Committee considered the long recognized need for amendments to the Library Law of 1947 and concluded that amendment for the purpose of clarification only might be sought.

The Committee also is prepared to endorse the proposed project for the construction of a state archives building, realizing that the State Library's need for storage space will be acute by the time a building can be actually financed and erected, and that effort to acquire land for such a building calls for special attention.

LIBRARY RESTORES SPACE

The State Library has undergone extensive redecoration, improvements and other significant changes during the past two or three months. Expansion—the dream of every librarian—was made possible by the departure early in December of the Conservation Department, which had occupied a large part of the office and storage space in the building since it was erected in 1933.

The Indiana Economic Council, a much smaller unit of the state government, now has its headquarters in three of the former Conservation Department offices on the fourth floor. Conservation, which had grown rapidly since 1933, to become one of the largest state departments, is comfortably located in larger quarters at the Fair Store Building, 311 West Washington Street.

Director's Office Moved

The offices of the director of the library and his administrative staff have been moved to quarters originally designed for these library uses on the south side of the building. The former administrative offices are now designated and attractively furnished as assembly and conference rooms. This enables the library to provide adequately for the numerous library and historical groups which frequently wish to meet in the building. In the past it had been necessary to crowd these meetings into rooms occupied by regular departments or offices.

A staff kitchen and lunch room, a part of the original plans for the library which had never been available for these purposes, are now open and are greatly enjoyed by staff members. These freshly painted rooms, with built-in shelves, a refrigerator and stove in

the kitchen and attractive furniture in the lunch room, provide for the first time satisfactory facilities for those who wish to have their lunches in the building and for social uses of the staff.

Among other changes are the transfer of the certification and placement office from the first to the fourth floor, first steps toward housing the Indiana Academy of Science library in separate rooms with provision for an office for the Academy, and expansion of the storage space for archives and for part of the general collection of the library.

Historical Bureau Gets Space

The Historical Bureau and Historical Society have also shared in all the changes. The Bureau has acquired space for its large stock of publications, and the Bibliography Committee of the Society has at its disposal a study room on the fourth floor not far from the Bureau offices. In the past this Committee had carried on its work in the Historical Society library under severe handicaps.

These important changes in the State Library and Historical Building represent the ultimate realization of the dreams and plans that produced the building nearly twenty years ago. A special tribute is due the former State Librarian (1926-35) whose dreams and plans now come to full fruition—Louis J. Bailey, librarian of the Queensborough Public Library, New York.

It is appropriate that these improvements can be celebrated in the year 1950 which marks the 125th anniversary of the original establishment of the Indiana State Library.

CURRENT ADDITIONS FOR INDIANA COLLECTION

Some Books and Pamphlets about Indiana or by Hoosier Authors
Compiled by HAZEL W. HOPPER, Indiana Division, State Library

CUPPY, WILL. *How to Attract the Wombat*. 1949. 226p. Rinehart, \$2.75.

Here is another humorous book by the author of *How to be a Hermit* and *How to Tell your Friends from the Apes*. Mr. Cuppy who died recently in New York, was a native of Auburn, Indiana.

GUTHRIE, ALFRED B. *Way West*. 1949. 340p. Sloane, \$3.50.

Way West is the story of an emigrant trek from Independence, Missouri to Oregon in the 1840's. The author, whose book *Big Sky* was on best seller lists several years ago, was born in Indiana.

HUSTED, H. H. *Thumb-nail History of World War II*. 1948, 442p. Bruce Humphries, \$5.00.

Events occurring during World War II listed day by day. The author is from Evansville.

LE SUEUR, MERIDEL. *Nancy Hanks of Wilderness Road*. Illustrated by Betty Alden. 1949. 88p. Knopf, \$2.50.

Children's story of Abraham Lincoln's mother, Nancy Hanks Lincoln. She came from the frontier of Kentucky, married a young hunter named Tom Lincoln and after moving around as frontier people did, they finally settled in Indiana. Nancy Hanks Lincoln died in Southern Indiana and her grave has been made a state shrine.

INDIANA SCHOOL STUDY COMMISSION. *An Evaluation of the Indiana Public Schools*. 1949. 448p. The Commission. Paper, \$2.65; Cloth, \$5.15.

The Indiana School Study Commission was created by the Indiana State Teachers Association in 1947. The resolution directed the Commission to make a comprehensive study of education in Indiana. This report is the commission's evaluation of the present school system

and recommendation for development of better schools. It deals with public, elementary and secondary schools of the state.

INDIANA STATE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

Indiana Industrial Directory. 1950. The Chamber, \$10.00; special price to libraries, \$5.00.

This new addition of the Industrial Directory lists Indiana manufacturers by city and also includes a classified section by products. Basic information on towns such a population, banks, transportation and communication facilities is listed.

JUDSON, CLARA INGRAM. *The Green Ginger Jar*. 1949. 211p. Houghton, \$2.50.

This is a Chicago Chinatown mystery story revolving about a precious old ginger jar which belonged to Lu Chen's grandmother. Lu Chen gave the jar to a strange girl and the plot of the story is the search to redeem it. The author leads the reader to many fascinating parts of Chicago. It is a book for teen age children.

MOORAD, GEORGE. *Lost Peace in China*. 1949. 262p. Dutton, \$3.00.

Here is an eye witness report of the conditions in China and the conflict between American, Russian and Chinese policies which led to the present political conditions in China. The author, who was lost about a year ago in a plane crash in India, was born in Indianapolis.

SABINE, ERNEST LYMAN. *Here in My Garden Blooming*. Illustrated by M. Ruth Sabine. 1949. 84p. Delaware Engraving Company, Muncie, \$2.50.

The author of this little volume of poetry is an associate professor of English at Ball State Teachers College, Muncie.

SMITH, WALTER BEDELL. *My Three Years in Moscow*. 1950. 346p. Lippincott, \$3.75.

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General Smith was United States Ambassador to Russia from March, 1946 to March, 1949. Here is his straightforward account to the American people of what he saw and did in the communist capital. The book is more than a diplomatic account for General Smith "undertook to study the whole framework of the Soviet life, the people, the leaders, and their institutions." The author was born in Indianapolis.

RICE, THURMAN B. and HARGER, ROLLA A. *Effects of Alcoholic Drinks, Tobacco, Sedatives, Narcotics.* 1949. 312p. Wheeler, \$1.96.

This book written by two professors at the Indiana University School of Medicine treats the scientifically demonstrated facts concerning the use of alcohol, tobacco and drugs. It is written in a language that the high school student can understand.

RUSSO, DOROTHY R., editor. *One Hundred Years of Indiana Medical Association, 1849-1949.* 1949. 195p. The Association, \$2.50.

This medical history of Indiana was published in connection with the celebration of the centennial of the Indiana State Medical Association. Besides the history of medicine in Indiana it has brief biographical sketches of the presidents of the association and a list of medical periodicals published in Indiana.

WALLACE, FRANCIS. *The Notre Dame Story.* 1949. 275p. Rinehart, \$2.75.

Here is a book for football fans. It is a story of Notre Dame football and of Knute Rockne, the builder and inspiration of excellent teams. The author is an alumnus of Notre Dame.

WILSON, WILLIAM E. *Abe Lincoln of Pigeon Creek.* 1949. 288p. Whittlesey House, \$3.00.

Mr. Wilson has written a novel based on the Indiana life of Abraham Lincoln. Southern Indiana folkways and speech are reproduced by the author whose boyhood was spent in Evansville, not far from the Lincoln country. Al-

though the story is fictitious, the major episodes and characters introduced stick closely to the historical facts.

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Statistical Department. *Roster of state and local officials, 1949. 75p.

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AERONAUTICS COMMISSION.

Indiana aero-notes, v.2, no. 12, November, 1949; v.3, nos. 1, 2, December, 1949, January, 1950. 3 nos. Processed.

Indiana laws governing aeronautics. 1949 revision. 55p.

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE COMMISSION.

Indiana cigarette unfair practices act and regulations. [1949] 12p.

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Reports of the cases decided . . . with tables of cases reported, cases cited, statutes cited and construed, court rules cited and construed, cases overruled or limited, and an index . . . from December 4, 1947 to January 22, 1949. 739p. Available on exchange for court reports of other states through the Supreme Court—Law Library, 316 State House, Indianapolis, Ind.

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Official opinions, nos. 106-119, November 1, December 7, 1949; no. 1, January 5, 1950. 15 nos.

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Application for beauty school license. [1949] [1p.] Processed.

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Price list of brooms manufactured. September 1, 1949. [4p.]

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LIBRARY SCIENCE AT HUNTINGTON

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Library science in Huntington High School is conducted as a regular course. It is a requirement for graduation; it is recommended for the sophomore year; and it meets one period each week for one semester. One-fifth of one credit is given for the course. We have mid-year students which means there are three or four classes each week at different periods every semester.

Text and Work Book Used

The text book which is being used is *Books, Libraries, and You* by Jessie Boyd, published by the Charles Scribner's Sons. Also we use a work book—*Exploring Libraries* by Emmet Morris, published by School Necessities Co., Bellwood, Illinois.

Teach Knowledge of Library

Objectives are both tangible and intangible. The principal aim is to teach students how to use the library, and to be at home in our library as well as competent to use other libraries. By giving them a familiarity with the library, we hope to develop better students and better library patrons.

More specific objectives are to give the students: (1) a knowledge of the library tools such as card catalog, *Readers' Guide*, and reference books; (2) an idea of shelf-

arrangement of books by the Dewey Decimal system; (3) guided experience in making class notes; (4) instruction in the proper way to make and organize reading notes; and (5) instruction in making a bibliography.

The work book suggests activities in connection with each phase of the library instruction. As we study the card catalog, for example, each student works out the activities pertaining to the catalog. Often additional activities sheets are made out.

Reference Books Considered in Detail

Since the use of reference books is important, considerable time is spent on them. Practice in using the reference books is given by assigning problems for study. A list of typical questions is made and students are asked to find the answers in the reference books.

It is, of course, impractical to spend unlimited time examining the many, many reference books; therefore, those which will be used most are stressed, i.e., dictionaries, encyclopedias, *World Almanac*, *Current Biography*. In class others representative of sources in various subject fields are introduced to show the range of reference books.

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The *Readers' Guide* is another tool which we study in detail. In addition to the text book and work book we use the pamphlet which contains sample pages from the *Readers' Guide*. This can be obtained from the H. W. Wilson company by request. During class discussion each student has a copy of the sample pages. After the discussion, a work sheet with questions which can be answered from the sample copy is worked out by each student. Follow up is done in class the next week by going over the questions, and pointing out the answers in the sample copy.

General Classifications Taught

The Dewey Decimal system is used throughout the semester. The general classifications are taught so that the student may save himself time by knowing how books are classified. The Cutter system is explained briefly.

During the first few weeks each student is required to make class notes, and at the end of the six weeks, comparisons are made to determine improvement.

Students Prepare Term Paper

Approximately the last six weeks of the semester are spent writing a sample term paper. The pupils choose their subjects with supervision; then they make a bibliography of books, magazines, and reference sources. Proper form for a bibliography is followed as given in the work book. This puts to use and tests the knowledge they have learned about the library tools.

Reading notes, following the proper form, are then made during class periods with time

for discussion and questions. These notes are made on 3" by 5" cards. A definite number of notes and sources used is required each week.

When the subject has been covered sufficiently, these notes are organized and from them the term paper is written. The form for the sample footnotes given in the work book and text book are followed in writing the paper.

While a subject cannot be thoroughly covered in the length of time given, the students learn the procedure for writing a research paper and gain experience in using the library tools.

Stressing reading and best books to read certainly should be a part of the library science classes. Many books are mentioned and suggested during our classes, but lessons are not devoted exclusively to reading guidance, because in our English classes a reading program is followed.

Use of Films

I have been asked about the use of the film "Know Your Library" in my classes. In my experience, I have found it of little value in the actual studying of the library tools. As a review after each tool has been presented, the film does have value. So much material is introduced in such a short time that the students, without first a thorough understanding of each tool, sometimes fail to comprehend the meaning of the film.

Films on each library tool, such as one on the card catalog, or on the *Readers' Guide*, to be used before "Know Your Library" would help in library instruction.

STUDENT ASSISTANTS ORGANIZE

Over 100 students representing 30 schools attended the Indiana student librarians conference held on the Indiana University campus December 3 and 4. Of this number nine were boys.

The conference was sponsored by the Division of Library Science, Indiana University in cooperation with the Student Assistants Committee of I.S.L.A. Maysel Baker, librarian of the University School, Bloomington, was in charge of arrangements and Margaret Griffin, librarian, Mishawaka High School, was chairman of the Student Assistants Committee. It was the outgrowth of a preliminary meeting held concurrently with the I.S.L.A. conference last spring at Terre Haute.

Association Formed

Another milestone in Indiana library history was reached at Sunday's session, December 4 when the Hoosier Student Librarians Association was formally established. Indiana is one of seven states having student library assistant organizations. The others are North Carolina, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Texas, New Jersey, and Louisiana.

During the business meeting Jean Leland of Huntingburg High School was elected president; Norma Casper, John Adams High School, South Bend, vice-president; Julia Secrest, Franklin High School, secretary; Sue Hahnert, Hartford City High School, treasurer; and Donna Forakes, Whiting High School, reporter.

A constitution was adopted incorporating the following objectives: (1) to increase

pupil interest and participation in library work (2) to promote friendship among librarians and student librarians throughout the state (3) to attract high type of pupil assistants and to arouse interest in librarianship as a profession. Membership is open to students interested in any type of library work.

Mrs. James Ayars, known to readers of her books for young people as Rebecca Caudill, spoke at the dinner meeting Saturday evening. In developing her topic, "Preface to Writing", she related many incidents of her childhood and showed how those early experiences were reflected in the characters in her books.

Other features of the conference were a coke party given by the I.U. Future Teachers of America and the I.U. Library Science club following a tour of the I.U. campus and the Bloomington High School library.

Schools represented were: Broad Ripple of Indianapolis; Franklin; Greencastle; Lawrence Central of Indianapolis; Lew Wallace, Gary; Lowell; Mt. Vernon; Morton Memorial High School, Knightstown; Martinsville; Mishawaka; Princeton; John Strange Junior High, Indianapolis; Speedway; Short High School, Liberty; Howe, Shortridge and Technical of Indianapolis; Wm. A. Wirt School, Gary; Whiting; Wiley, Terre Haute; University School, Bloomington; Hartford City; Elkhart; John Adams, South Bend; Columbia City; Huntingburg; Laboratory School, Terre Haute; Garrett; and Michigan City.

